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Dutch Report Reinforcements Sent Toward Woevre.

RUMOR OF RETREAT FROM ST. MIHIEL

Fear French Will Follow Up Successes with Vigorous

London, April 14 .- A dispatch to "The Morning Post" from Amsterdam says that the Germans are moving up considerable reinforcements to the Thionwille region and to Metz. The Germans are declared to fear a general French advance in that section where the recent attacks have wrested important posi-

blow to the Kaiser's forces, in the opinon of military experts here. The St. Miniel salient has long been a thorn side of the French, one that has cost them much in men and energy. and that has been the one real weakess in the barrier they have thrown up from the sea to the Swiss boundary.

Germany had practically given up hope The experts believe that the post. which has been so stubbornly defendd that one general is said to have dewould sacrifice 100,000 men o hold it, would never be abandoned Germany could provide men for its without fatally weakening

Where for the last eight days there ve been violent onslaughts by the further manœuvres in the to the expected great

preliminary to the expected great spring fight for supremacy.

"A calm along the whole front," is the way the latest French official communication characterizes the situation on the battle line in France, but it adds that all the positions that have been captured by the French have been maintained and consolidated.

The situation on the British battle lines in France remained unchanged

Von Hindenburg Subject of Conflicting Rumors

(By Cable to The Tribune.) London, April 14 .- The impatience of the Kaiser in the face of the great strength of the Russian spring campaign now developing," says the Petrograd correspondent of "The Daily News," "Is seen in his insistence that Von Hindenburg should attempt another general attack from East Prussia."

A report from Alx-la-Chapelle received via Amsterdam says news has been received privately that Von Hindenburg intends to make a new attempt to capture Warsaw. He is said to have asked for 300,000 reinforcements.

REPLY TO GERMANY **PUZZLES OFFICIALS**

State Department Undecided as to Wisdom of Strong Answer.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, April 13.—Just what phraseology to employ in answering the German memorandum of April 10 is proving somewhat of a puzzle to the heads of the State Department. The memorandum, produced in an unusual fashion and almost immediately given publicity by the German Embassy in deed, before Secretary of State Bryan had even seen the document—presents a novel situation. A pithy reply might result in more unpleasantness than the tions from the Kaiser's troops and phraseology to employ in answering tightened the strangle grip which Gen- the German memorandum of April 10 eral Joffre has been fastening on the Though the French official reports memorandum, produced in an unusual indicate that the French are resting fashion and almost immediately given and consolidating the positions they publicity by the German Embassy inhave won, the Germans report new deed, before Secretary of State Bryan French attacks, and the effects of their had even seen the document presents successes are shown in German counter- a novel situation. A pithy reply might The Amsterdam dispatch even result in more unpleasantness than the declares that the German General Staff department is disposed to stir up, is considering a withdrawal from St. Mihitel in consequence of the French Fressure.

Such a retreat would be a serious the Livited States is vaciliating.

the United States is vacillating.

For these reasons the State Department is inclined to delay the answer ment is inclined to delay the answer until it has had time to study the alleged causes of the outbreak. Official by the State Department does not ye know that the memorandum was in-spired by the Foreign Office at Berlin, although unofficially it has heard that But it cannot act upon unoffi-

report. But it cannot act upon unomicial information.

There is no disposition in the department to lay the blame for this irregular method of gaining public attention at the door of the German Embassy. It is well known that a part of the war work of the German government has been the building up, so far as it could, of a pro-German sentiment in the United States.

For many reasons suggestions as to

For many reasons suggestions as to be possible recall of the Ambassador are not regarded here as well founded.
The State Department would not relish the diplomatic embarrassment of having to notify the Kaiser's government that his representative or reprement that his terreservation of real sentatives were non persona grata. Due allowance also is made for the excited and ultra-partisan state of the German-American public on this score and it is thoroughly understood in would be the occasion for sharp

SAY FALABA HAD 23 MINUTES' GRACE

German Report Declares Danger Forced Submarine to Act Quickly.

in France remained the same ground in France remained the same ground last week, says the semi-y report received from the British Headquarters and given out to-count of the sinking of the Falaba was by the Official Press Bureau. The made public here to-day. It follows:

WILHELM BOTTLED

don Around Raider at Hampton Roads.

CAPTAIN REQUESTS 3 WEEKS FOR REPAIRS

Expected to Make a Dash for Sea at Night Before Time Is Up.

side the lanes of travel northward, now occupied by patrolling allied ships. A chase and running sea fight, it is declared, could not occur without endangering and probably involving American warships. Should the German commander succeed in eluding the English and French ships, and dash through the drill grounds, these ships would be forced to endanger the American ships or allow their prey to escape.

er intends to make an entri to geaway point to the fact that he is asking for three weeks in which to make
repairs to the Wilhelm, when he has
admitted his ship can be made seaworthy within two weeks, as a part of
his plan. They contend that his idea
is to rush the work on the cruiser
night and day, quietly obtain coal and
provisions, and make the dash four or
five days before his time is up, thus
endeavoring to catch the allied warships napping. Those who believe the
Wilhelm will interne declare his action
is for the purpose of holding the allied
ships at the Capes incefinitely.

Late to-night it was reported that,
while two warships were guarding the
capes, four or five others were searching the Atlantic for another German
sea raider. This revived speculation
as to the German cruiser Karlsruhe,
several times reported destroyed.

Officers of the Wilhelm asserted they
did not believe the Karlsruhe had been
destroyed. A member of the crew said

did not believe the Karlsruhe had been destroyed. A member of the crew said that last summer she destroyed a British naval base at Bridgetown, Barbados, and that the exploit never was revealed. Navigators familiar with the Virginia Capes declare that if the Kronprinz Wilhelm escapes it will be only by marvellous running of a gantlet in which she will demonstrate her wonderful speediness and the nerve of her young commander.

Captain Thierfelder's formal request for time to repair his ship was forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury late to-day. While it is understood the German commander asked for three weeks as a maximum, he stated he would make every effort to complete temporary repairs and leave port before that time. He did not request coal and provisions, explaining that he would do this when the Washington government has decided how long he may remain in neutral waters. It is understood his request included a petition to go into drydock immediately.

UP BY WARSHIPS

Allied Vessels Draw Cor-

Norfilk, Va., April 13.—If Captain Thierfelder of the Kronprinz Wilhelm, still at anchor in Hampton Roads, attempts to take the cruiser to sea again, he will be forced to run the centlet of alexander.

Those who believe Captain Thierfelder intends to make an effort to get away point to the fact that he is ask-

Captain Thierfelder's formal request

ASKS AID FOR

Need Care, Says Mem-

ber of Parliament.

BRITISH ACCUSE

STEAMER FROM N. Y.

Say the Fordney Attempted to Evade Search—Cargo Goes to Prize Court.

London, April 13.—The British steamer Joseph W. Fordney and her cargo have been thrown into the prize court at Kirkwall. The Admiralty charges that the steamer attempted to evade search while bound with a cargo of fording for fordney salled from New York on March 20 for Malmo, Sweden. The Fordney salled from New York on March 20 for Malmo and was taken into Kirkwall on April 8.

The Swedish steamer Hilding, from New York March 10 for Copenhagen, which was taken to Kirkwall on March 31, was removed to Leith last week. The Admiralty alleges that the vessel had copper in her cargo which was not on her manifest.

MOVES VENETIAN

ment onward you are one of the family. Almost Every One Speaks English. No glittering staff surrounds him. Just grave, strong looking men in uniforms of field gray. Almost every one speaks English. St. Louis, to-day accepted the govern-becars this soft in the matter.

The Wilhelmina, an American steamer, sailed from New York of Hamburg on the furnishings of the dining room and table are primitive. In one corner stands a beer keg. Tacked to one of the folding docrs that open into the furnishings of the dining room and table are primitive. In one corner stands a beer keg. Tacked to one of the folding docrs that open into the furnishings of the dining room and table are primitive. In one corner stands a beer keg. Tacked to one of the folding docrs that open into the furnishings of the dining room and table are primitive. In one corner stands a beer keg. Tacked to one of the folding docrs that open into the furnishings of the dining room and table are primitive. In one corner stands a beer keg. Tacked to one of the folding docrs that open into the furnishings of the dining room and table are primitive. In one corner stands a beer keg. Tacked to one of the folding docrs that open into the furnishings of the dining room and table are primitive. In one corner the furnishings of the dining room

ART TO FLORENCE

Italy Fears Austrian Fleet Will Bombard Venice if War Is Declared.

German Courtesy Grows, War Correspondent Finds

General Welcomes Him as Guest and Proves an Ideal Host, with Much Common Sense and Teutonic Capacity for Details.

By JAMES O'DONNELL BENNETT.

the first of a new series of articles by Mr. Bennett describing activities of the German troops in Russia.)

Mlawa, Russia, March 6.—I want to make an impression picture (stimmake an impression picture) (stimma

city, has written a letter to Robert Lansing, counsellor of the State De-partment, asserting that the German steamer Kronprinz Wilhelm left this A file of soldiers came marching

Lansing, counsellor of the State Department, asserting that the German steamer Kronprinz Wilhelm left this port with false clearance to become a commerce raider, and saying:

"If she is treated now as free of all prior infractions of our neutrality the basis for a claim after the war is overwill be thereby strengthened. To regard the matter squarely from the administration's ground, that our position should be that of being impartial instead of adopting the rules of neutrality as delimited in international law, such treatment would also be improper. She cannot leave with false clearance, become a commerce raider, then with entire immunity seek shelter here without our being chargeable with connivance in her method of departure.

"Accident having restored the ship to our physical control, she should be

proper. She cannot leave with 18/36 clearance, become a commerce raider, then with entire immunity seek shelter here without our being chargeable with connivance in her method of departchief of staff, an adjutant, and a pink, blond young captain. There was much saluting from everybody on the platform. Some chests that looked as if they might be meant to hold documents and money and half a dozen small, stout trunks were lifted into an empty compartment by military servants.

General Surén Greets Bennett.

General Surén Greets Bennett. our physical control, she should be 'officially detained under guard' (to employ a technical expression), and should not be treated as the Eitel Friedrich was treated. That is, she Friedrich was treated. That is, she should not be permitted to technically 'intern,' since 'internment' would import an agreement on our part for her free delivery upon the termination of heatilities."

hostilities."

Mr. Davison argues that it is useless for the United States to seek to evade responsibilities as a neutral in the war, and says:

"The recent Bernstorff communication affords a demonstrative proof of the futility of attempting to conciliate, instead of standing squarely upon prerogative and right, when one is confronted with aggression is coupled with actual demands for partiality of treatment, accompanied by veiled threats of formulation of hostilities."

General Surén Greets Bennett.

Just before the big man reached the companied the daily compartment next to mine the adjunctant stepped ahead of him and whistant stepped ahead o

will do our best."

I thought of a certain muggy August evening in Beaumont, when a German officer had said: "Don't you gentlemen realize that this is not a Mexican war, and that correspondents are not wanted here?" The remark was followed by measures which most effectually proved it.

Truly was a seems better to enjoy cigarettes than eigars. You would say that he has eyes in the back of his head, for nothing, absolutely nothing, escapes him.

A Representative German General.

It seems to me wonderful that a man who has the destiny of 45,000 men and the contraction of the cont when aggression is coupled with actual demands for partiality of treatment, accompanied by veiled threats of fo-menting internal discord as an alter-native if the undue demands are not further pursuit of a conciliatory course would be to invite greater dis-"For Germany to-day a simple, plain,

who has the destiny of 45,000 men and the safeguarding of miles of conquered territory on his mind can so look to de-tails. But an officer tells me that it is

Truly, war is a time of change.

The general shook hands and stepped into his compartment, followed by two of his officers. The adjutant waved a hand to the engineer, the engine gave an apologetic toot, as if saying, "I do hope I am not disturbing anybody," and the train stole out of the yards toward the Russian frontier, where General Suren was to join his 45,000 troops at Mlawa.

The safeguarding of miles of conquered territory on his mind can so look to details. But an officer tells me that it is precisely that faculty which makes suren a representative German general. He is an ideal host in that he sees to all wants, but makes no fuss about it. A word or a nod of the head to an ordonnanz, and the thing is done.

One evening amid the din of conversation and dishes there was a knock at the door ten feet away from the general. non-argumentative adherence to the in-ternational rules, with a firm adhering to our neutral rights, is dictated. Debate, argument, explanation, deprecation, conciliation and expostulation should find no place in our attitude." **SOLDIERS' BABIES**

Suren was to join his 45,000 troops at Mlawa.

Ruined Towns Ghostlike in Snow.

When we got over into East Prussia the possibilities became actualities. Unroofed towns, their ruins made ghostlike by the freshly fallen snow, peered gauntly at us out of the gloom. Soldau, for example, had been terribly shot up, and many a cottage and farm building in that region had been burned to the ground.

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At Illowo or thereabouts we crossed the frontier, and after five or six miles of desperately slow progress reached of Mawa, where half a dozen gleaming appeal for assistance to the thousands of unmarried young women who will shortly become mothers. McNeill says that it is a social problem of the most pressing nature. He continues:

At Illowo or thereabouts we crossed the frontier, and after five or six miles of desperately slow progress reached Mlawa, where half a dozen gleaming automobiles that looked as if they had been drawn up for a grand opera crowd were waiting for the general, his suite and his baggage.

I was set down at a big white government building, where quarters had been assigned to me with a German art critic who is now an officer in the important progression.

Dishes are not too numerous. Soup,

will then be free to proceed imme-diately, as there is no action against for example, is served from a teapot.
But what matter. It is excellent soup.
The only thing even an unreasonable

GUNS FOR HOUSEHOLDERS person could complain about at these meals is a certain rubbery consistency of the meat—the sure sign of meat fresh killed. Whitman Signs Bill Amending

General's Breakfast Privileges.

Albany, April 13. Governor Whit-Paris, April 13.—The "Temps" says the Italian government has removed all the art treasures from the museums and churches in Venice to Florence, in the belief that an Austrian fleet would bombard Venice if war is declared.

The newspaper says the transfer took place at night in order that the population—lebt sat ha slarmad.

Albany, April 13.—Governor Whitman to-day signed the bill amending at the tables—and he fills it At breakfast, if there is only one egg, he gets it. If there are two, the chief of staff is a householder, to keep a revolver in the householder, to keep a revolver in the short of the peace of the peace of the peace of the peace of a police magistrate.

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JOHNSON'S NEPHEW WON

Eight thousand dollars in crisp, yellow bills caused the pocket of one Gus that they had received before the fight the tip that Rhodes got.

Whether or not it came from the Johnson headquarters is unknown, but it was correct. Rhodes wagered \$5,000 against \$8,000 that his Uncle Jack would be whipped by Willard. A. Rhodes, a negro, to bulge when he landed here yesterday from Havana. The money was won last week on the Willard-Johnson fight.

fellow passengers on the steamer Saratoga were unanimous in wishing that they had received before the fight

Official War Bulletins

WESTERN FRONT.

PARIS (Issued at 11:20 P. M.). The day was calm along the whole front. We maintained and consolidated our positions at the different points where we had made progress during the last eight days.

Our aviators successfully bombarded military hangars at Vigneulles, in the Woevre, and dispersed, not far from Vigneulles, a battalion on the

(Issued at 3:40 P. M.). Between the sea and the Aisne there is nothing to report except a few artillery duels. To the east of Berry-au-Bac we gained possession of a German trench.

possession of a German trench.

In the Argonne there were mining operations and engagements of bomb and grenade throwing between our own and the enemy's trenches. Between the Meuse and the Moselle our forces succeeded at several points in coming in contact with the wire entanglements of the enemy's defence.

BERLIN The French yesterday attacked near Berry-au-Bac and between the Meuse and the Moselle; near Maicery, which is east of Verdun; near Marcheville, which is southeast of Maicery; on the front between Maicery and Marcheville, and south of Hartmanns-Weilerkopf. Everywhere they were

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